MEMORANDUM



Date: September 3, 2025

To: Deans, Associate Deans, Graduate Coordinators

From: Melissa Dyck, Coordinator - Graduate Scholarships and Awards

Re: 2025-2026 Tri-Council CGRS Master's Competition

Value: \$27,000 over one year, plus a bonus from FGSR of a one-time lump sum of \$3,000 at the beginning of your award start.

Indigenous Scholars Awards and Supplements for NSERC and SSHRC(same application as CGRS M)

Value: \$5,000 supplement to qualifying Indigenous CGRS Masters award holders. *Or* a \$27,000 award and a \$5,000 supplement to qualifying Indigenous candidates who are on the waitlist for a CGRS M program.

PLEASE FORWARD TO FACULTY MEMBERS WITH MASTER'S AND FOURTH YEAR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS. THANK YOU SO MUCH!

Important Dates & Deadlines:

- How to Write a Masters Research Proposal: October 1 from 2:00-3:00 pm, location CK 226, please register at: https://uregina.libcal.com/event/3917205
- CGRS Masters How to Apply Session: October 15 at 2:00-3:00pm, via Zoom, to register: https://uregina-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/mRxPreijQ0a2sHLLj RZYA
- **Deadline: December 1** for students to submit their applications online via the Research Portal. **Late applications cannot be accepted, as the portal will lock down.**

Websites - Full information for this competition is found here:

CGRS Masters: https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/cgrsm-besrm_eng.asp

CGRS M Eligibility: https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/PG-CS/cgrsm-besrm eng.asp#a3

Please ensure you are fully eligible before beginning an application

CGRS M program resources: https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/CGSHarmonization- HarmonizationBESC eng.asp

FGSR's CGRS Master's website: https://www.uregina.ca/graduate-studies-research/scholarships/external/cgs-masters-cihr-or-nserc-or-sshrc-tri-council.html

Indigenous Scholars Awards and Supplements Pilot Initiative: Offered by NSERC and SSHRC, the pilot initiative will provide, to the limit of available funding, a \$5,000 supplement to qualifying Indigenous Canada Graduate Scholarships—Master's program (CGRS M) award holders, and provide a \$27,000 (pending Federal Budget approval) award and a \$5,000 supplement to qualifying Indigenous candidates who are on the waitlist for the CGRS M program. Applicants will use the same application form and follow the same application process as for the CGRS M.

Please see the link below for full information on this supplement and instructions on how to apply for this Initiative, if fully eligible: https://sshrc-crsh.canada.ca/en/funding/opportunities/supplements/2025/indigenous-scholars-awards-and-supplements.aspx

Black Student Funding:

CGRS M applicants who self-identify as Black and provide consent in their application to be considered for funds designated for specific groups may be eligible to receive this funding through a scholarship as part of this initiative. Each agency has a limited number of additional CGRS M awards reserved. For more information consult the Frequently asked questions about the new Black scholars: https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/NSERC-CRSNG/policies-politiques/FAQBlackScholars-FAQUniversitairesNoirs eng.asp

San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment: https://sfdora.org/

In 2019, NSERC, CIHR and SSHRC, along with other Canadian research funding agencies, signed the <u>San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment (DORA)</u>. As such, the agencies are committed to meaningful assessment of excellence in research funding and to ensuring that a wide range of research results and outcomes are considered and valued as part of the assessment process. They will continue to work to ensure that their strategies, policies, and guidance align with DORA.

CGRS Masters Allocations: for the University of Regina for this competition:

http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/CGSAllocations-QuotasBESC_eng.asp

CIHR allocation – 3 NSERC allocation – 6 SSHRC allocation – 11

Transcripts (VERY IMPORTANT—PLEASE READ IN FULL):

Students are required to **upload** <u>ALL OFFICIAL</u> and <u>UP TO DATE undergraduate and graduate transcripts</u>, including transcripts from institutions where you may have received <u>ANY transfer credits</u>. <u>Up-to-date transcripts</u> are defined as transcripts dated or issued in the <u>FALL SESSION</u> of THIS year of application (if currently registered), or after the last term completed (if not currently registered). <u>If this is your first semester at the University of Regina</u>, you must include transcripts from the University of Regina, also <u>to show your registration for this fall</u>. <u>Web</u> transcripts or copies from your student account are <u>not eligible</u>, <u>as they are unofficial</u>. It is also important to include one (1) copy of the <u>legend</u> from each transcript. Failure to do this will render an application ineligible for the competition.

Students can apply for awards at up to 3 universities. The awards are not portable between institutions. This means students must hold the scholarship at the awarding university. Students can only apply to **one** Tri-Council agency. Students <u>MUST</u> apply for admission to their chosen program by the program deadline, in order to be considered.

<u>Creating a CCV</u>: Students are required to complete a Common CV (CCV), which they will be required to attach to their application. Please find the CGRS M instructions for creating a CCV here:

https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/CCV CGSM-CVC BESCM eng.asp

CCV FAQ's: https://ccv-cvc.ca/indexresearcherhelp-eng.frm **CCV help:** 613-995-4273 or email: webapp@nserc-crsng.gc.ca

Please contact us at grad.funding@uregina.ca and we can send you our CCV How to Cheat Sheet, which will guide you step by step.

Please use grad.funding@uregina.ca as the email address for all correspondence. Please be clear in the subject line and include your name and ID.

STUDENTS: Please ensure you have your Supervisor, Department Head, Associate Dean and other academic mentors proofread your application *well ahead of the deadline*. Each of them can provide you with feedback to help make your application the best it can be. Also, please know that on the deadline day, the online application portal is VERY busy, and students can get booted off the portal. So, to avoid not being able to submit in time, please submit WELL AHEAD of the deadline, as life happens. Please know that late applications cannot be accepted under any circumstances, as the portal locks down.

Tri Agency Contact Information:

CIHR CGRS Master's email: cgrsm-besrcm@cihr-irsc.gc.ca

NSERC CGRS Masters email: NSERCScholarships-BoursesCRSNG@NSERC-CRSNG.GC.CA

SSHRC CGRS Masters email: fellowships@sshrc-crsh.gc.ca